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THROUGH IN-SITU COMBUSTION PROCESS
Examiner: Bryan A. Fuller
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File No.: 570-09

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Official Action of April 4, 2005. A Petition for Extension of Time, and payment of \$225.00, are attached. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Attached are:

- 1) Amendments to the Claims; and
- 2) Remarks in support of patentability.

No fee, other than the fee for the extension of time, is required for this Amendment.

For the reasons given in the attached Remarks, Applicants request reconsideration by the Examiner and early favorable action. If the Examiner has questions, Applicants request that he telephone the undersigned to expedite the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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